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Sir:

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With regards to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested.

Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the

Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being

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official communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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